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# THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY

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**THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY**

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REPORT  
OF  
THE ANNUAL MEETING  
OF  
THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY

HELD IN  
THE GRANGE  
ART GALLERY OF ONTARIO  
TORONTO

On Wednesday, May 17th, 1978 at 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon

*Officers:* President, Prof. John Warkentin; Honorary Vice-President, Miss Julia Jarvis; Vice-Presidents, Dr. Morris Zaslow, Prof. S.F. Wise; General Editor, Prof. J.K. Johnson; Ontario Editor, Prof. William G. Ormsby; Honorary Secretary, Peter S. Osler, Q.C.; Honorary Treasurer, John K. Armour and Executive Secretary Treasurer, Mrs. Eleanor Cook.

*Members of Council:* Dr. Frederick H. Armstrong; George W. Brigden, Q.C.; Dr. Barry Gough; Donald F. McOuat; Dr. George A. Rawlyk; Col. C.P. Stacey; Dr. T.H.B. Symons; Mrs. Tommy Tweed.

*Members:* Twenty-three further members of the Society attended the meeting and their names are on record in the office of the Society.

Regrets were received from Dr. W. Kaye Lamb, Mr. John A. Bovey, Mr. Mel Hurtig, Dr. Margaret Prang, Mr. Murray Bell and Prof. D.G. Creighton.

The President, Prof. Warkentin was in the Chair and the Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Eleanor Cook acted as Secretary to the meeting.

The Chairman welcomed the members of the Society to the meeting.

The minutes of the last annual meeting of members held on 25th May, 1977 were adopted and approved as printed and circulated.

## EDITORIAL REPORTS

### *General Series:*

Dr. J. Keith Johnson, the General Editor, presented the following report: -

It is regrettable that copies of Lafitau, Customs of the American Indians, Volume II, have not yet been distributed to members of the society. These were promised by Maclehose and Company in April. It is now understood that they were being shipped last week. It is presumed that distribution of The Diary of Simeon Perkins, 1804-1812, which Maclehose and Company had stated would take place in June, will also be somewhat delayed.

Three completed manuscripts are at hand for publication in turn as soon as financial circumstances permit. These are volumes I and II of Lord Minto's Canadian Papers, edited by John T. Saywell and Paul Stevens and The Records of the Glasgow Colonial Society, edited by Elizabeth McDougall.

Other projects which have received the approval of council but which have not yet been completed are: The Journals of Alexander Henry the Younger, edited by Barry Gough, The Reports of the Reverend William Duncan, edited by Morris Zaslow, The Survey Journals of Admiral Bayfield, edited by Ruth McKenzie and The Great Awakening in Nova Scotia edited by Gordon Stewart. Of these Miss McKenzie's project would appear to be the most advanced. .

The question of the comparative costs and comparative quality of Canadian printing firms has been under investigation. In March three Toronto firms were contacted and asked to submit proposals for the printing of volume I of Lord Minto's Canadian Papers. Unfortunately quotations from two of these firms were received too recently to permit detailed comparison. A full report on this subject will be presented to the next meeting of Council.



### *Ontario Series:*

Professor W. G. Ormsby, the Ontario Editor, presented the following report: -

Since my last annual report, the tenth volume in the Ontario Series, Ontario and the First World War edited by Barbara Wilson, has been published and has been well received both by members of the Society and by the general public. Alan Douglas has submitted the manuscript for the eleventh volume, Colonel John Prince. I have done some preliminary work on the manuscript and will be getting to work on it in earnest in the next few days.

During the course of the year Council approved proposals for two additional volumes, The Upper Canadian Rebellion to be edited jointly by Colin Read and Ronald Stagg; and The Bank of Upper Canada to be edited by Peter Baskerville. Work is now in progress on these two volumes as it is on London, 1791-1848 edited by Daniel Brock and The French Regime in Ontario to 1715 edited by Cornelius Jaenen. A proposal for a volume on the Ottawa Valley is also under consideration.

Very satisfactory discussions were held during the course of the year with representatives of the Ontario Heritage Foundation concerning the funding of the Ontario Series. On the basis of these discussions a formal memorandum of agreement is being prepared which will establish a sound, continuing arrangement for the financing of the Series.

### *Membership Report:*

The Honorary Secretary, Mr. P. S. Osler stated that there are currently 1193 members including those whose applications are now being processed.

It was suggested that members should seek out and encourage applicants for membership in the Society to bring to total to the presently authorized 1250 members.

### *Treasurer's Report:*

The Honorary Treasurer, Mr. J. K. Armour, presented the financial statement which had been approved by J. Ramsey Fraser, Chartered Accountant.

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*The Champlain Society*

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1977**

(With Comparative Figures for the Year Ended December 31, 1976)

General Series

|  | 1977          | 1976            |
|--|---------------|-----------------|
| <u>Receipts</u>  |               |                 |
| Members' Fees . . . . .  | 17,876        | \$23,735        |
| Royalties . . . . .  | 1,205         | 2,603           |
| Library Editions, Permission Fees, Maps . . . . .              | 1808          | 4,260           |
| Bank and Term Deposit Interest . . . . .                       | 2,117         | 1,602           |
|  | <u>23,006</u> | <u>32,200</u>   |
| <u>Disbursements</u>   |               |                 |
| Rent & Secretarial Assistance . . . . .                        | 2,875         | 2,366           |
| Volume Editors' Honoraria and Expense . . . . .                | 3,150         | 500             |
| General Expenses, including General Series . . . . .           |               |                 |
| Editors' Honoraria and Out-of-pocket Expense . . . . .         | 5,040         | 6,556           |
| Purchase of Complete Library of Champlain<br>volumes . . . . . | —             | 4,000           |
| Publication of Volume 48 . . . . .                             | —             | 23,561          |
| Partial payment of Volumes No 49 & No. 50 . . . . .            | 10,882        | —               |
|  | <u>21,947</u> | <u>36,983</u>   |
| Excess Receipts over Disbursements . . . . .                   | 1,059         | (4,783)         |
| Add Cash and Investment at Beginning of year . . . . .         | 42,832        | 47,615          |
|  | <u>43,891</u> | <u>\$42,832</u> |

Ontario Series

|  |               |                 |
|--|---------------|-----------------|
| <u>Receipts</u>  |               |                 |
| Grant from Ontario Government, Ministry of<br>Culture and Recreation . . . . . | 2,500         | \$17,300        |
| Bank and Term Deposit Interest . . . . .                                       | 1,410         | 901             |
|  | <u>3,910</u>  | <u>\$18,201</u> |
| <u>Disbursements</u>   |               |                 |
| Rent & Secretarial Assistance . . . . .  | 2,500         | 2,500           |
| Volume Editors' Honoraria . . . . .  | —             | 1,000           |
| Ontario Series Editors' Honoraria and<br>Out-of-pocket expense . . . . .       | 1,035         | 1,379           |
| Publication of Ontario Series No. 10 . . . . .                                 | 25,128        | —               |
|  | <u>28,663</u> | <u>4,879</u>    |
| Excess Receipts over Disbursements . . . . .                                   | (24, 753)     | 13,322          |
| Add Cash at Beginning of Year . . . . .  | 31,852        | 18,530          |
|  | <u>7,099</u>  | <u>\$31,852</u> |



After discussion, on MOTION duly SECONDED and CARRIED, the financial statement for the year ended December 31, 1977 was approved.

The Treasurer stated that Mr. J. Ramsey Fraser was away and may not be available to act as auditor.

On MOTION duly SECONDED and CARRIED, it was RESOLVED that the Council be authorized to appoint an auditor for the ensuing year.

After discussion of the part of the President's letter to members, dated April 14, 1978, relating to expenses and annual fees, a MOTION was put forward, duly SECONDED and CARRIED, and it was RESOLVED that the annual fee be increased from \$15.00 to \$25.00.

### LIBRARY EDITIONS

Beginning with Volume XL, The Champlain Society has printed extra copies of each volume in a Library Edition which is identical with the regular series except that the Society crest has been omitted from the spine, and the pages are trimmed. These extra copies were printed for the purpose of meeting the wishes expressed by libraries and other institutions for extra copies of particular volumes and to replace worn out or lost volumes. The price of these Library Edition volumes is \$25.00 per copy.

The following volumes are available in the Library Edition:

- XL Glover: David Thompson's Narrative, 1784-1812
- XLI Upton: Diary of Chief Justice William Smith, vol. 1
- XLII Upton: Diary of Chief Justice William Smith, vol. 2
- XLIII Fergusson: Diary of Simeon Perkins, 1776-1803, vol. 4
- XLIV Spry: Papers of the Palliser Expedition, 1857-1860
- XLV Lamb: Journal of Gabriel Franchere 1811 - 14
- XLVI Klinck and Talman: The Journal of Major John Norton, 1816
- XLVII Morton and Roy: Telegrams of The North-West Campaign, 1885
- XLVIII Fenton and Moore: Lafitau's Customs of the American Indians compared with the Customs of Primitive Times, vol. 1

There are also a few crested copies of some of the above list available at \$30.00 each to replace member's copies which have been lost or damaged.

Extra copies of the great map of British North America, 1865, prepared to accompany the Papers of the Palliser Expedition, 1857-1860, are also available, unfolded, suitable for mounting or framing, at a price of \$4.00 per copy.

Orders for the foregoing items should be addressed to:

Mrs. Eleanor Cook,  
Executive Secretary-Treasurer,  
The Champlain Society,  
The Royal York Hotel,  
100 Front Street West,  
Toronto, Ontario M5J 1E3  
Canada.

### *Election of Council:*

Mr. G. W. Brigden presented the report of the Nominating Committee. On MOTION duly SECONDED, it was RESOLVED that:

Mr. John K. Armour  
Mr. Peter S. Osler, Q.C.  
Dr. T.H.B. Symons  
Miss Edith G. Firth  
Dr. Barry Gough

be re-elected to Council for a three year term to end in 1981; and that

Mr. Peter L. McCreath  
Mr. Derek R. C. Bedson  
Dr. A. Davidson Dunton

be elected to council for a three year term to end in 1981.

Council members to retire in 1979:

Dr. George A. Rawlyk  
Dr. John Warkentin  
Professor S. F. Wise  
Dr. Morris Zaslow  
Dr. Margaret Prang  
Dr. Cameron Nish  
Dr. Louis Gentilcore  
Dr. J. B. Conacher

Council members to retire in 1980:

Mr. R. Murray Bell, Q.C.  
Col. C. P. Stacey  
Dr. Frederick H. Armstrong  
Mr. John A. Bovey  
Mr. George W. Brigden, Q.C.  
Mr. D. F. McQuat  
Professor John T. Saywell  
Mrs. Tommy Tweed

On nomination by Mr. G. W. Brigden and MOTION duly SECONDED and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, Dr. William L. Morton was elected an Honorary Vice-President of the Society.

After the termination of the meeting, the Council met briefly and elected Officers and the Publication Committee as set out on the following page.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Following the business part of the meeting, Dr. Warkentin introduced Miss Julia Jarvis, who has been associated with the Society since 1923. She gave a most interesting and witty address on the Society, its activities and personages through the years.

## *List of Officers*

### *Honorary President:*

W.K. Lamb, O.C., Ph.D., LL.D., F.R.S.C., Vancouver, British Columbia

### *President:*

John Warkentin, B.Sc., Ph.D., Department of Geography, York University,  
Downsview Ontario

### *Honorary Vice-Presidents:*

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Miss Julia Jarvis, Toronto Ontario

Wm. L. Morton, O.C., M.A., LL.D., D.Litt., F.R.S.C., Department of History,  
University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba

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R. Murray Bell, Q.C., Toronto, Ontario

J.B. Conacher, M.A., Ph.D., F.R.H.S., Department of History, University of Toronto,  
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S.F. Wise, M.A.B.L.S., Director, Directorate of History, National Defence Head-  
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Morris Zaslow M.A., Ph.D., Department of History, University of Western Ontario,  
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### *Members of the Council:*

Frederick H. Armstrong, M.A., Ph.D., F.R.H.S., Department of History,  
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Derek R. C. Bedson, Winnipeg, Manitoba

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### *General Editor:*

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Wm. G. Ormsby, M.A., Archives of Ontario, Toronto, Ontario

### *Honorary Secretary:*

Peter S. Osler, Q.C., Toronto, Ontario

### *Honorary Treasurer:*

John K. Armour, Toronto, Ontario

### *Executive Secretary-Treasurer:*

Mrs. Eleanor Cook

### *Committee on Publications:*

Miss Edith G. Firth, Mr. John Newlove, Dr. Peter Oliver









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